

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-11 (canceled).

12. (New) A fuel-injection system for injection of fuel into an internal combustion engine, comprising:

at least one fuel injector;

a first fuel-distributor line connected to the at least one fuel injector; and

a second fuel-distributor line connected to the at least one fuel injector by a lance.

13. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 12, wherein the second fuel-distributor line is disposed in parallel to the first fuel-distributor line.

14. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 13, wherein the second fuel-distributor line is connected to the first fuel-distributor line by soldering.

15. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 12, wherein the lance is connected to the second fuel-distributor line by soldering.

16. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 12, wherein the lance penetrates the first fuel-distributor line.

17. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 12, wherein the lance extends into a supply-line nipple of the at least one fuel injector.

18. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 17, wherein the lance has a diameter of approximately 4 mm.

19. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 17, wherein a non-return valve is provided inside the lance.

20. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 19, wherein the non-return valve includes a ball valve having a spring.

21. (New) The fuel-injection system as recited in Claim 17, wherein the at least one fuel injector is connected to the first fuel-distributor line via an intake.

22. (New) A method for injecting fuel into a combustion chamber of an internal combustion engine with the aid of a fuel-injection system having at least one fuel injector, a first fuel-distributor line connected to the at least one fuel injector, and a second fuel-distributor line connected to the at least one fuel injector by a lance, the method comprising the steps:

a) conveying start-up fuel into the at least one fuel injector via the second fuel-distributor line and the lance, whereby rinsing of the fuel injector is achieved;

b) conveying start-up fuel into the at least one fuel injector via the second fuel-distributor line and the lance, and substantially simultaneously actuating the at least one fuel injector to inject the start-up fuel into the combustion chamber of the internal combustion engine;

c) repeating the steps a) and b) until a desired operating temperature of the internal combustion engine has been reached; and

d) conveying fuel for normal engine operation into the at least one fuel injector via the first fuel-distributor line and an intake, and substantially simultaneously actuating the at least one fuel injector to inject the fuel for normal engine operation into the combustion chamber of the internal combustion engine.